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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jochen HUMMEL et al.

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2000, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and objections. Entry of the amendments advanced herein is considered proper as they prima facie put the claims in a condition for allowance and in the alternative, reduce the issues on appeal.

**Amendments**

Please amend claim 1.

1. (Twice Amended) A method for processing source information comprising the steps of:
- parsing input source information into elements;
  - identifying a source placeable element by predetermined criteria; and